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Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested.

—Francis Bacon.

MANEUVER NEWS

Red and Blue armies are battling over Oahu's hills and the resulting maneuvers are furnishing not only practical training of the most valuable sort to the military, but information as to Oahu's natural defenses and as to the strength and condition of the army here of the highest value to the officer-critics. Furthermore, the maneuvers are furnishing picturesque and at times thrilling news to the people of this city and the territory.

The STAR-BULLETIN is "covering" the news in an up-to-date and accurate way. This paper, through the courtesy of army headquarters, has correspondents with both armies. The news stories of these correspondents, written in the field, are published each day and supplemented by telephone messages to the STAR-BULLETIN at frequent intervals up to the minute the last edition goes to press in the afternoon. This paper is furnishing the only complete and accurate description of the maneuvers given to the reading public of the city.

It is furnishing, moreover, the only photographs actually taken "on the field of battle". The STAR-BULLETIN realizes the importance of the maneuvers, and its policy of giving its patrons all the news and the news first, written and pictorial, is being carried out in the present case in spite of considerable difficulties.

PROGRESS OF THE BALKAN WAR

With the tide of battle rushing first one way and then another in the Balkans, it is difficult to say that either the Turks or the allied armies are winning, but at least the allies have won some important victories.

The cable dispatches to this paper last Tuesday brought the news that the Servians have taken Novibazar, and if they can hold this border city and the country surrounding it, they will seriously cripple the Ottoman campaign.

On the other hand, it is very possible that the allies will involve a mightier force than any yet stirred,—that of Austria, for Austria has long had designs on Novibazar. This Turkish city and province was held by Austria in accordance with the Berlin treaty and under the same conditions that gave her control of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Austria, in conjunction with Turkey, had garrisons at three points, the considerable town of Plevlje and the two small posts of Prepolje and Priboj. Across the country and along the valley near the Serbian border runs the survey of the Novibazar railroad, which Austria has planned to extend from Sarajevo, Bosnia, to Metrovitza, the northern terminus of the Macedonian railroad from Salonica. Although Austria at the time of annexing Bosnia and Herzegovina withdrew her troops from Novibazar, there is no reason to believe that she has in any way abandoned either the projected railroad or the desire eventually to acquire the country for her own purposes. Novibazar is a narrow bit of territory which has caused much diplomatic unrest in Europe. Could it be wrested from Turkey and Austria it would make the boundaries of Montenegro and Serbia meet. It might certainly give Serbia the long-desired outlet to the sea.

No other part of the entire territory involved in the war is so important diplomatically as this little strip of Novibazar.

A CLEAN BILL FOR SUGAR.

Sugar prices for ten years past have shown no general increase, and this is one of the few commodities which has not affected the high cost of living, according to an interesting report made by the federal bureau of labor. At the end of an inquiry conducted in the important industrial centers of thirty-two states, the bureau reports that eggs, butter, milk and sugar were the only articles out of fifteen principal elements of food that sell at a lower price than a year ago, but it is to be noted that the first three sell at a high price in the winter and a low price in the summer. Sugar comes out of the test with much credit on the side of tariff advocates, for it is shown conclusively that although always tariff-protected, this commodity has been practically the only one which has not

participated in the enormous advance in prices.

During the last decade prices of potatoes changed most and sugar the least. Their advances were 111.9 and 8.5 per cent., respectively. During the last year bacon, which decreased just one-tenth of 1 per cent., was the only one of the fifteen principal articles of food that showed a decline in price, while nine of the fifteen advanced more than 10 per cent., varying from 2.4 per cent. for milk to 18.6 for round steak. Of the fifteen only eggs, butter, milk and sugar were lower, but the price of three of these four is normally lower during summers than during winters.

Specimens of the statements of merchants in various cities published in the report follow:

New York—"Meats in general are so high that if prices continue much longer will be obliged to close up business. Have already lost about \$200 since advance in prices."

Chicago—"Jobbing price on flour has advanced 80 cents per barrel, and unless there is a decline in the near future retail prices will advance."

Baltimore—"If the present high prices prevail much longer in the wholesale market I do not know what will become of the retail dealers."

Boston—"Cheap sirloins are so high and poor that I am not cutting any at present. Both grades of cattle have gone up, and the above prices just about let me out without profit." (A second), "Beef, especially on cheaper cuts, 10 to 20 per cent. higher." (A third), "The high price of meats is causing us to close our place of business on or about July 4."

New Haven—"Beginning this week we will advance 2 cents a pound on all meats, as we are paying the highest price for beef and lamb in my time. I cannot state the reason; the jobber blames the farmer; the farmer blames the high price of corn."

Philadelphia—"No money in meats at the above prices." (A second), "We paid, June 17, 15½ cents a pound for rumps and rounds and 11½ cents a pound for chunks of beef, the highest price in the history of our business."

Salt Lake City—"Everything seems to be at the top, but nothing shows any decline."

Remarks of merchants accompanying the price reports for May 15 told the same story. This is the showing made for the food prices in the last year, according to the report, on the foods investigated:

Decrease in price—Smoked Bacon, 1 per cent. Increase in price—Fresh milk, 2.4; smoked ham, 2.7; hens, 3.8; granulated sugar, 6; Irish potatoes, 7.6; wheat flour, 10.7; pork chops, 11.2; pure lard, 11.3; butter, 15.3; sirloin steak, 17.1; rib roast, 17.5; round steak, 18.6.

The advance during the decade, comparing the price June 15, last, with the average for the ten years, was as follows: Granulated sugar, 8.5 per cent.; strictly fresh eggs, 26.1; fresh milk, 32.9; creamery butter, 33.3; wheat flour, 39.3; pure lard, 55.3; hens, 55.1; sirloin steak, 59.5; smoked ham, 61.3; cornmeal, 63.7; rib roast, 63.8; round steak, 64; pork chops, 66; smoked bacon, 96.7; Irish potatoes, 111.9.

Coal also advanced considerably in some cities. The price April 15, as compared with a year before, was higher for Pennsylvania anthracite, stove size, in twenty-five out of twenty-nine cities from which reports were secured. There was no change of price in the remaining four cities.

During the same period Pennsylvania anthracite, chestnut size, advanced in twenty-five out of twenty-seven cities, and bituminous advanced in seventeen out of thirty-two cities; the price remained unchanged in twelve cities and declined in three cities. In the north Atlantic states Pennsylvania white ash coal, stove size, was 11.3 per cent. higher April 15, 1912, than a year before, Pennsylvania anthracite white ash, chestnut size, 11.9 higher, and bituminous 11 per cent. higher.

These were the largest increases, while in the western states the prices were unchanged, or there was no data for anthracite, and bituminous coal was 1.7 per cent. less than April 15, 1911.

The net prices of gas for household use April 15, compared with the previous year, showed that reductions ranged from 5 to 15 cents for manufactured gas among fifty-four companies in thirty-six cities and practically unchanged among the natural gas plants.

Democratic politicians are trying to make Republican votes for Sheriff Jarrett by a tale of the usual campaign variety. They are asserting that if Robert Waipa Parker should be elected sheriff, he will discharge Chief of Detectives McDuffie. As a matter of fact, Capt. Parker will go into office with his hands free, to retain the efficient men on the force. If McDuffie measures up to the standard of efficiency he will be retained. That's all there is to it. The people of Honolulu want a man in this office who is able to bring the force to the highest state of efficiency, and who will go into office without any political pledges to hamper him.

The businessmen of Fort street evidently do not propose to stand for an ordinance of the kind introduced by Murray to prevent autos from standing on the street. As this paper has previously said, the street should be kept reasonably clear for moving traffic; autos should not be allowed to stand indefinitely, but the retail shopping district profits heavily by trade from the autos and there is neither business sense nor reason for the ordinance in its present form.

The Red army could start a real battle by attempting to capture the soapbox during the rush hour at noon.

Incidentally, the war correspondents are doing as much work as either the Red or the Blue army.

For a beleaguered city, Honolulu remains remarkably calm.

AALA PARK FOR HAWAII LIBRARY DEMOCRATIC OFFICIALS RALLY ORGANIZE

A peaceful surrender of Aala Park to the Democrats for their closing rally on the eve of the election has been made by the Republicans. At last night's meeting of the Board of Supervisors, a letter from B. von Damm, the Republican manager, was read, which contained the capitulation. It also withdrew the application for the band the same night, the writer saying that the handsomeness ought to be allowed their freedom to attend their respective party rallies.

Murray asked the attorney for an opinion as to the right of anyone to hang banners across the streets without the permission of the board.

Deputy Attorney Milverton said he had been asked by J. Walter Doyle if it would be lawful to stretch a Republican banner across Merchant street, and his reply was that it was so trivial a matter that he thought nobody would raise an objection. If a written opinion was wanted he would furnish it. Murray answered that he wanted the opinion.

Murray asked for information as to what the Rapid Transit Company was doing about paving its portion of King Street. A promise was made that the work would be done in three weeks, but six or seven weeks had elapsed without anything doing. On motion of Low, the clerk was directed to write to the manager of the company and ask him when the work was going to be done.

G. G. Guild asked the board about the board about the expenditure of \$3200 some time ago voted for road work in Manoa. Low said the road overseer hoped to begin the work in thirty days. The Manoa people should cultivate patience. Mr. Guild said the Manoa people had been exercising patience for one year and ten months, and what they wanted to know now was whether the money was going to be expended before December 31. Low replied that if started before that date the work would be completed by the next board.

Murray called attention to the fact, as he alleged, that the Bethel street sidewalk was not being constructed according to specifications.

Pacific Rebeck Lodge, I. O. O. F., was granted a permit for a Halloween dance on the roof garden of Odd Fellows Hall the night of October 24.

Resolutions were introduced appropriating \$800 for the electric light service and \$24 for expenses of right of way on Nuanuan street.

Marston Campbell, superintendent of public works, wrote to notify the board that, in accordance with the request of the Manoa Improvement Club, he had changed the names of the streets in that section—that known as Manoa road to Punahou avenue and that known as Woodlawn or East of Lower Manoa road to Manoa avenue.

Six bids for fire hose were received.

SAM PARKER DENIES YARN

"I have no such idea—nothing of the kind has ever occurred to me," Colonel Samuel Parker declared this morning when spoken to regarding the statement made on the soapbox by Charles Hustace, Jr., that Parker intended, if elected mayor, to resign after three or four months.

"It took me three or four weeks to decide to run if nominated," Colonel Parker continued. "I didn't want to accept it but, finally, as I was feeling well I gave way to the urging of my friends."

"There is a lot of foolishness being talked about my frequent absences from the islands, as if it was a matter of course that after election as mayor, I could not resist the habit of wandering. The fact is my trips in the past have been largely on business. I had a great deal to do with the Kohala ditch for one thing."

"I have no personal feeling against Hustace," he met each other and swap cigars, and if he can beat me I will take my hat off to him, but it is childish on his part to start silly stories like this one that I do not intend to stick to the office of mayor if elected. He will hardly win any votes by inventing roorbacks to hurt me."

LIEUT. COL. HENRY I. RAYMOND of the medical corps has been relieved of further duty at the headquarters of the western division, taking effect November 5, and he will go to Schofield Barracks in Hawaii.—Examiner.

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Kaimuki	\$16.50, \$25.00
Kinau Street	50.00
Kahala Beach	\$80.00, 75.00
Nuanu Avenue	80.00
Pacific Heights	100.00
College Hills	65.00
Wahiawa	30.00
Anapuni Street	50.00
Kalihi Road	35.00

Unfurnished

Walpole	\$22.50, \$25.00, \$27.50
Wilder Avenue	\$22.50, \$25.00
King Street	30.00
Kaimuki	\$20.00, \$27.50, \$30.00, \$35.00
Kalihi	35.00
Ala Moana and Ena Road	50.00
Beretania Street	\$22.50
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Nuanu Street	\$40.00
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